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Reply To
Attn Of: SO-155

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Yakima Agricultural Research Laboratory

FROM: Tod Gold *Tod Gold*
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TO: Records Center

This memorandum recommends that the following documents be included in the administrative record for the Yakima Agricultural Research Laboratory (Yakima Lab) Superfund Site because they were relied on or considered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in finalizing the Record of Decision (ROD) dated September 30, 1992 for this Site.

- (1) Technical Proposal dated November 20, 1987, titled "Pre-Closure Site Investigation -- Pesticide Disposal, Yakima Agricultural Research Center, Yakima, WA.
- (2) "Preliminary Soil and Ground Water Investigation of the United States Department of Agriculture Research Laboratory in Yakima, Washington" dated December 23, 1988.
- (3) Memorandum from Betty Wiese to Lynda Priddy regarding Yakima Agricultural Research Laboratory; Cleanup Levels.
- (4) Memo dated July 24, 1992, from Bruce Woods to Lynda Priddy titled "QA Comments on Data for the Yakima Agricultural Research Laboratory."
- (5) Memo dated August 28, 1992, from Bruce Woods to Lynda Priddy titled "Transmittal of Data Validation Reports for Yakima Agricultural Research Laboratory."
- (6) Letter dated September 1, 1992, from Douglas Geller to Lyndia Countee titled "Preliminary Report on Results of Pesticide Sink Drainpipe Removal at YARL."

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- (7) Transcript of Public Hearing on Cleanup of Yakima Pesticide Lab Site dated September 10, 1992.
- (8) Letter dated September 17, 1992, from Carol Fleskes to Dana Rasmussen concurring on the "no further action" remedy and intent to delete the Yakima Lab site from the National Priorities List.
- (9) Data Validation Report dated September 28, 1992, transmitted from Richard Jacobs, EMCON, to Lynda Priddy.
- (10) Memorandum dated September 30, 1992, from Randall Smith to Dana Rasmussen titled "Approval of CERCLA Record of Decision and Construction Complete Determination and RCRA Clean Closure."
- (11) Record of Decision dated September 30, 1992.
- (12) Letter dated October 1, 1992, from Julia Atwood to Alvin Humphrey regarding completion of closure activities.

Comment: Although the letter is dated the day after the ROD was signed, it is my understanding that the conclusions in the letter -- that no further remedial action is required and that RCRA clean closure has been achieved at the Yakima Lab site -- were expressed orally to EPA before the ROD was signed.

- (13) Memorandum dated October 5, 1992, from Donald Matheny to Debbie Yamamoto titled "Review of Data Validation Report for Yakima Agricultural Research Laboratory," EMCON Associates, September 28, 1992" [Item 9 above].

Comment: Although the memo is dated several days after the date of the ROD, it is my understanding that the memo confirms determinations on the data validation report that were expressed orally to the remedial project manager (RPM) before the ROD was signed.

Please call me at 553-2569 if you have any questions on this memorandum.